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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 -
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1652

Attorney's Docket No. 5718-16A (035718/193734)

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Rao *et al.* Confirmation No.: 1892
 Appl. No.: 09/478,598 Group No.: 1652
 Filed: January 6, 2000 Examiner: K. Kerr
 For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR ALTERING
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Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, DC 20231

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of two months to respond to the Office Action dated May 8, 2002.
2. Applicant is a small entity; other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

Total Months <u>Requested</u>	Fee For Other <u>Than Small Entity</u>	Fee for <u>Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> two months	\$400.00	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$920.00	\$460.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,440.00	\$720.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months*	\$1,960.00	\$980.00

*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory
limit for response to an Official Action.

Fee Enclosed \$400.00

Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any additional
extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

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